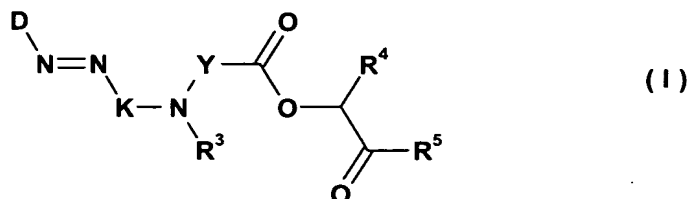


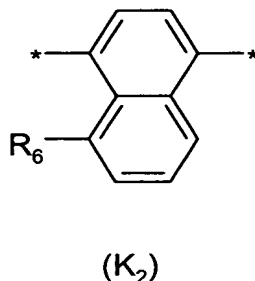
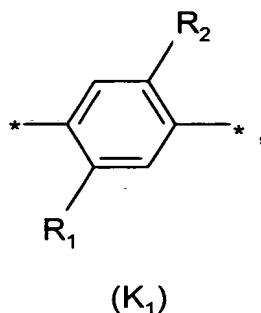
Amendments to the Claims

1. (currently amended) A disperse dye ~~Disperse dyes~~ of the general formula (I)

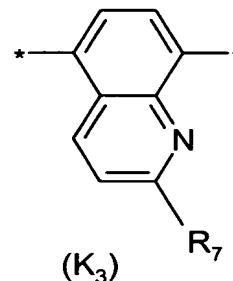


where

- D is a diazo component derived from a substituted or unsubstituted aromatic amine,
 K is an aromatic radical of the formula K₁, K₂ or K₃



or



- R₁ is hydrogen, chlorine, C₁₋₂-alkyl, C₁₋₂-alkoxy, hydroxyl or acylamino,
 R₂ is hydrogen, C₁₋₄-alkoxy, C₁₋₂-alkoxyethoxy, chlorine, bromine or combines with R₃ to form a group of the formula -*CH(CH₃)CH₂C(CH₃)₂- (* attached to the nucleus),
 R₃ is hydrogen, C₁₋₆-alkyl, C₃₋₄-alkenyl, chloro- or bromo-C₃₋₄-alkenyl, C₃₋₄-alkynyl, phenyl-C₁₋₃-alkyl, C₁₋₄-alkoxycarbonyl-C₁₋₃-alkyl, C₃₋₄-alkenyloxycarbonyl-C₁₋₃-alkyl, C₃₋₄-alkynyloxycarbonyl-C₁₋₃-alkyl, phenoxy-C₂₋₄-alkyl, halogen-, cyano-, C₁₋₄-alkoxy-, C₁₋₄-alkylcarbonyloxy- or C₁₋₄-

alkoxycarbonyloxy-substituted C₂₋₄-alkyl, or a group of the formula -CH₂-CH(R₈)CH₂-R₉,

R₄ is hydrogen or C₁₋₂-alkyl,

R₅ is phenyl ~~which may be~~ optionally substituted by one or two substituents selected from the group consisting of methyl, chlorine, bromine and nitro or combines with R₄ to form a c-pentanone or c-hexanone ring,

R₆ is hydrogen or hydroxyl,

R₇ is hydrogen or methyl,

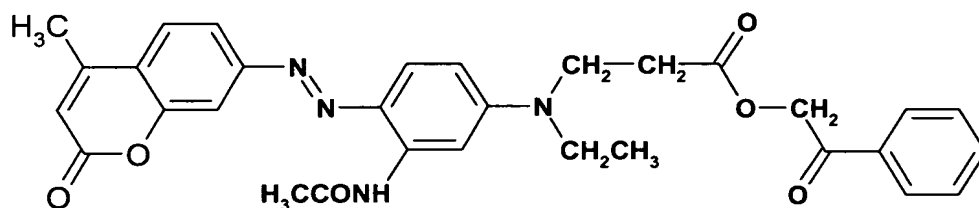
R₈ is hydroxyl or C₁₋₄-alkylcarbonyloxy,

R₉ is chlorine, C₁₋₄-alkoxy, phenoxy, allyloxy or C₁₋₄-alkylcarbonyloxy,

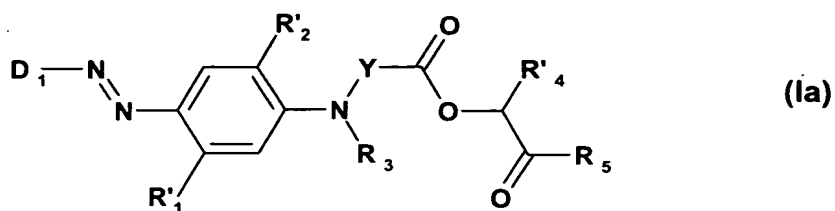
Y is C₁₋₃-alkylene,

wherein R₃ is ~~just~~ hydrogen when K is a radical of the formula K₂ or K₃,

with the following formula being excluded

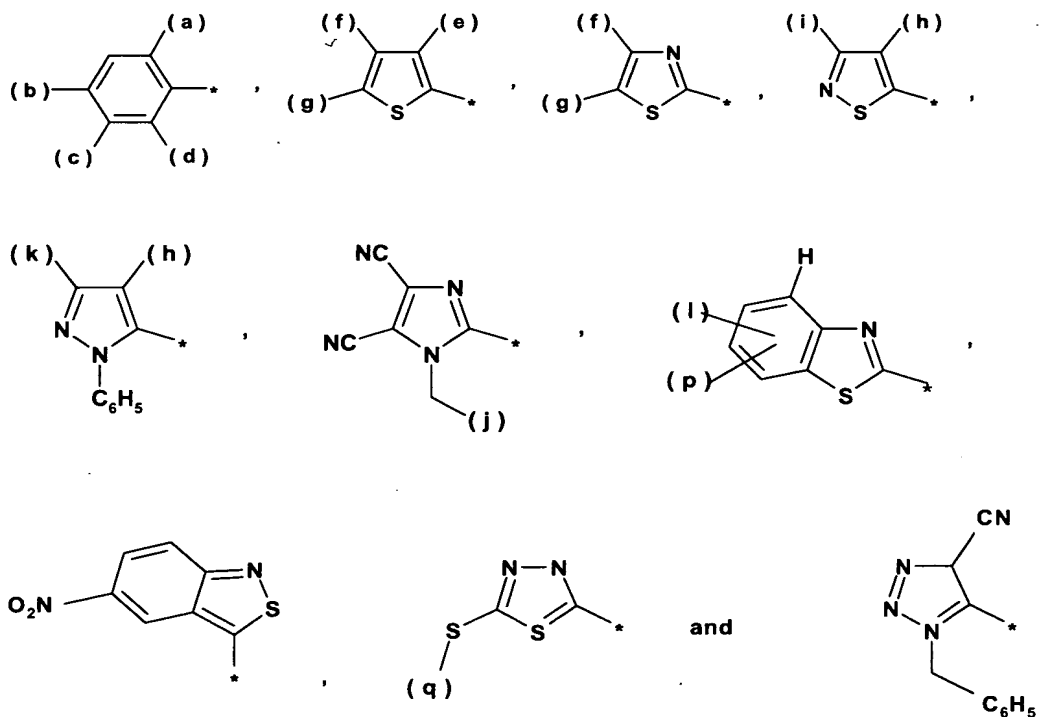


2. (currently amended) A disperse dye ~~Disperse dyes~~ according to Claim 1, characterized in that the dyes of the formula (I) ~~have the~~ of formula (Ia)



where

D₁ is 3-phenyl-1,2,4-thiadiazolyl or conforms to one of the following formulae:



where

- (a) is hydrogen, chlorine, bromine, cyano, nitro-, C₁₋₄-alkoxycarbonyl, C₁₋₃-alkyl-sulphonyl, preferably hydrogen, chlorine, cyano or nitro,
- (b) is chlorine, bromine, nitro, methyl, C₁₋₂-alkylsulphonyl, C₁₋₄-alkylcarbonyl, aminosulphonyl, mono- or di-C₁₋₄-alkylaminosulphonyl,

phenylaminosulphonyl, C₁₋₄-alkoxycarbonyl, benzyloxycarbonyl, tetrahydrofurfuryl-2-oxycarbonyl, C₃₋₄-alkenyloxycarbonyl, C₃₋₄-alkynyloxycarbonyl, aminocarbonyl, mono- or di-C₁₋₄-alkylaminocarbonyl, phenylaminocarbonyl or phenylazo,

- (c) is hydrogen or chlorine or else ~~(when (d) is hydrogen, (c) is ~~hydrogen~~)~~ hydroxyl or rhodan,
- (d) is hydrogen, chlorine, bromine, hydroxyl or cyano,
- (e) is nitro, C₁₋₄-alkylcarbonyl, C₁₋₄-alkoxycarbonyl, cyano, aminocarbonyl, mono- or di-C₁₋₄-alkylaminocarbonyl,
- (f) is hydrogen, chlorine, bromine, C₁₋₂-alkyl or phenyl,
- (g) is nitro, cyano, formyl, dicyanovinyl or a group of the formula -CH=CH-NO₂, -CH=C(CN)CO-OC₁₋₄-alkyl, H₅C₆-N=N- or 3- or 4-NO₂-C₆H₄-N=N-,
- (h) is cyano or C₁₋₄-alkoxycarbonyl,
- (i) is C₁₋₄-alkyl or phenyl,
- (j) is -CN, -CH=CH₂ or phenyl,
- (k) is C₁₋₄-alkyl,
- (l) is hydrogen, chlorine, bromine, cyano, rhodan, nitro, C₁₋₄-alkoxycarbonyl or di-C₁₋₄-alkylaminosulphonyl,
- (p) is hydrogen, chlorine or bromine, and
- (q) is C₁₋₄-alkyl or C₁₋₄-alkoxycarbonyl-C₁₋₄-alkyl,

wherein the phenyl nuclei of these substituents ~~may bear~~ optionally have one or two substituents selected from the group consisting of chlorine, bromine, methyl and C₁₋₂-alkoxy,

R'₁ is hydrogen, methyl, chlorine or acylamino,

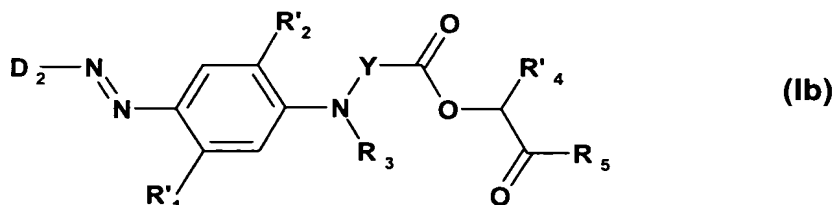
R'₂ is hydrogen, chlorine, C₁₋₂-alkoxy, C₁₋₂-alkoxyethoxy or combines with R₃ to form a group of the formula -CH(CH₃)CH₂C(CH₃)₂-,

R₃ and R₅ are each as defined above,

R'₄ is hydrogen or methyl, and

Y is a group of the formula $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$ or $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)-$.

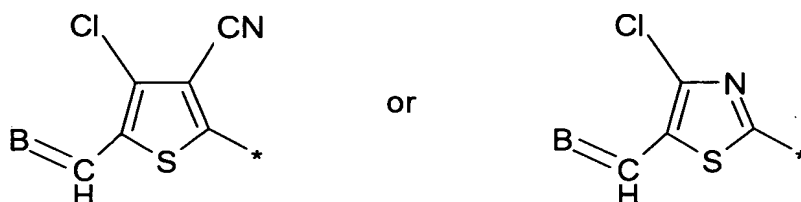
3. (currently amended) A disperse dye ~~Disperse dyes~~ according to Claim 1, characterized in that the ~~dyes of the formula (I)~~ have the of formula (Ib)



where

D₂ is the residue of a diazo component of the formula 2,6-dicyano-4-chloro-, 2,6-dicyano-4-bromo-, 2,6-dicyano-4-methyl-, 2,6-dicyano-4-nitrophenyl, 2,4-dinitro-6-chloro-, 2,4-dinitro-6-bromo- or 2,4-dinitro-6-cyanophenyl, 2-chloro-4-nitro-6-cyanophenyl, 2-bromo-4-nitro-6-cyanophenyl, 2,4-dinitrophenyl, 2,6-dichloro-4-nitrophenyl, 2,6-dibromo-4-nitrophenyl, 2-chloro-4-nitro-6-bromophenyl, 2-chloro-4-nitrophenyl, 2-cyano-4-nitrophenyl, 2,4-dinitro-5,6-dichlorophenyl, 2,5-dichloro-4-nitrophenyl, 4-nitro-phenyl, 4-phenylazophenyl, 4-C₁₋₄-alkoxycarbonylphenyl, 2-C₁₋₄-alkoxy-carbonyl-4-nitrophenyl, 4-benzyloxycarbonylphenyl, 4-(tetrahydrofurfuryl-2'-oxycarbonyl)phenyl, 3,5-dicyano-4-chloro-thienyl-2, 3,5-dicyano-thienyl-2, 3-cyano-5-nitro-thienyl-2, 3-acetyl-5-nitro-thienyl-2, 3,5-dinitro-thienyl-2, 3-(C₁₋₄-alkoxycarbonyl)-5-nitro-thienyl-2, 5-phenylazo-3-cyano-thienyl-2, 5-phenylazo-3-cyano-4-methyl-thienyl-2, 5-nitro-thiazolyl-2, 5-nitrobenzoiso-thiazolyl-3, 3-methyl-4-cyano-isothiazolyl-5, 3-phenyl-1,2,4-thiadiazolyl-2, 5-(C₁₋₂-alkylmercapto)-1,3,4-thiadiazolyl-2, 3-(C₁₋₂-alkoxycarbonyl-ethyl-mercapto)-1,2,4-thiadiazolyl-5, 1-cyanomethyl-4,5-dicyano-imidazolyl-2, 6-nitrobenzothiazolyl-2, 5-nitrobenzothiazolyl-2,

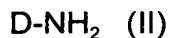
6-rhodanbenzothiazolyl-2, 6-chlorobenzothiazolyl-2, (5),6,(7)-
 dichlorobenzothiazolyl-2, or of the formula



and B is oxygen or a group of the formula $=(CN)_2$, $=CH-NO_2$, $=(CN)-COOC_{1-4}alkyl$ or $=(CN)-COOC_{3-4}alkenyl$

and the symbols R'_1 , R'_2 , R_3 , R'_4 , R_5 and Y are each as defined above.

4. (currently amended) A process ~~Process~~ for preparing ~~the dyes~~ a dye of the formula (I), ~~characterized in that~~ according to Claim 1, comprising the step of coupling a diazotized amine of the formula (II)



~~is coupled~~ with a compound of the formula (III)



wherein D and K are each as defined in Claim 1.

5. (currently amended) A method ~~Use of dyes according to Claim 1~~ for dyeing ~~and/or or printing or both a hydrophobic fibrous material fibre materials~~ especially polyester, acetate and/or triacetate fibre materials comprising the

step of contacting at least one dye according to Claim 1 with the hydrophobic fibrous material.

6. (currently amended) A method ~~Use of dyes according to Claim 1~~ for printing a hydrophobic fibrous material ~~fibre materials comprising the step of contacting at least one dye according to Claim 1 with the hydrophobic fibrous material with by means of the an ink jet printing device process or a hot melt ink jet printing device process.~~
7. (currently amended) A composition ~~Compositions~~ comprising at least one dye according to Claim 1.
8. (currently amended) A fibrous material ~~fibre materials~~ printed or dyed or both with at least one dye according to Claim 1.
9. (new) A method according to Claim 5 wherein the hydrophobic fibrous material is polyester, acetate, triacetate fiber or a mixture thereof.
10. (new) A disperse dye according to claim 2 wherein (a) is hydrogen, chlorine, cyano or nitro.
11. (new) A fibrous material printed or dyed or both by a process according to Claim 1.